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REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested. The Notice states that only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment must be listed; accordingly, only withdrawn claims 31-39 are listed in this response. In addition, the request for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is proper as the amendment was a non-final amendment. As previously stated, Applicants reserve the right to rejoin or reincorporate any cancelled or otherwise presently unclaimed subject matter in this application as appropriate or to prosecute the same in subsequently filed applications. Consideration and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSIONS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Applicants believe the claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully request that a Notice of Allowance be issued as soon as possible. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned if it is believed doing so would expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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